

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Aging

Introduced by: (AGE)

AN ACT CONCERNING RATES PAID BY THE COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES FOR ADULT DAY CARE SERVICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 17b-343 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):
- 3 The Commissioner of Social Services shall establish annually the
- 4 maximum allowable rate to be paid by [said agencies] the state for
- 5 homemaker services, chore person services, companion services,
- 6 respite care, meals on wheels, adult day care services, case
- 7 management and assessment services, transportation, mental health
- 8 counseling and elderly foster care. [, except that the maximum
- 9 allowable rates in effect July 1, 1990, shall remain in effect during the
- 10 fiscal years ending June 30, 1992, and June 30, 1993.] The
- 11 Commissioner of Social Services shall prescribe uniform forms on
- which agencies [providing] that provide such services shall report
- 13 their costs for providing such services. [Such rates] Rates shall be
- 14 determined on the basis of a reasonable payment for necessary services
- 15 rendered. The maximum allowable rates established by the
- 16 Commissioner of Social Services for the Connecticut home-care

17 program for the elderly established under section 17b-342, as 18 amended, shall constitute the rates required under this section until 19 revised in accordance with this section. The Commissioner of Social 20 Services shall establish a fee schedule, to be effective on and after July 21 1, 1994, for homemaker services, chore person services, companion 22 services, respite care, meals on wheels, adult day care services, case 23 management and assessment services, transportation, mental health 24 counseling and elderly foster care. The commissioner may annually 25 increase any fee in the fee schedule based on an increase in the cost of 26 providing such services. [The] Effective July 1, 2006, the commissioner shall increase the fee schedule [effective July 1, 2000,] by not less than 27 28 [five] ten per cent, for adult day care services. Nothing [contained] in 29 this section shall authorize [a] payment by the state to any agency for 30 [such services in excess of the amount charged by such agency for 31 such services provided, when the cost of services charged to the state 32 exceeds the cost of providing such services to the general public.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2006	17b-343

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the maximum allowable rate paid by the Department of Social Services for adult day care services by not less than ten per cent so as to promote the utilization of such services as a more cost effective long-term care option.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]